

Colonel David Hall House
107 King's Highway (opposite
the Zwaanendael House)
Lewes
Sussex County
Delaware

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Location: 107 King's Highway (opposite the Zwaanendael House),
Lewes, Sussex County, Delaware

Present Owner: John M. Vessels (1956)

Brief Statement
of Significance: This building is a regionally typical, two-and-a-
half story, three-bay, wooden house built c. 1790.

Reference: Dorothy and Richard Pratt, A Guide to Early American
Homes--South (New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company,
1956), page 51.

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The Colonel David Hall House, on the King's Highway opposite Zwaanendael House, is a three-bay, two-story-and-attic, cypress-shingled wooden structure, painted gray. It was built about 1790. On the west side, at the rear, is a wing of earlier date.

The late eighteenth-century character of the exterior was badly marred when Victorian "improvers" removed the many-paned sashes and replaced them with the large-paned sashes approved by the taste of the period.

The interior paneling and woodwork are good. The woodwork details adhere to precedents earlier than the date of the house. There are occasional touches of originality of interpretation by the house-carpenter.

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